

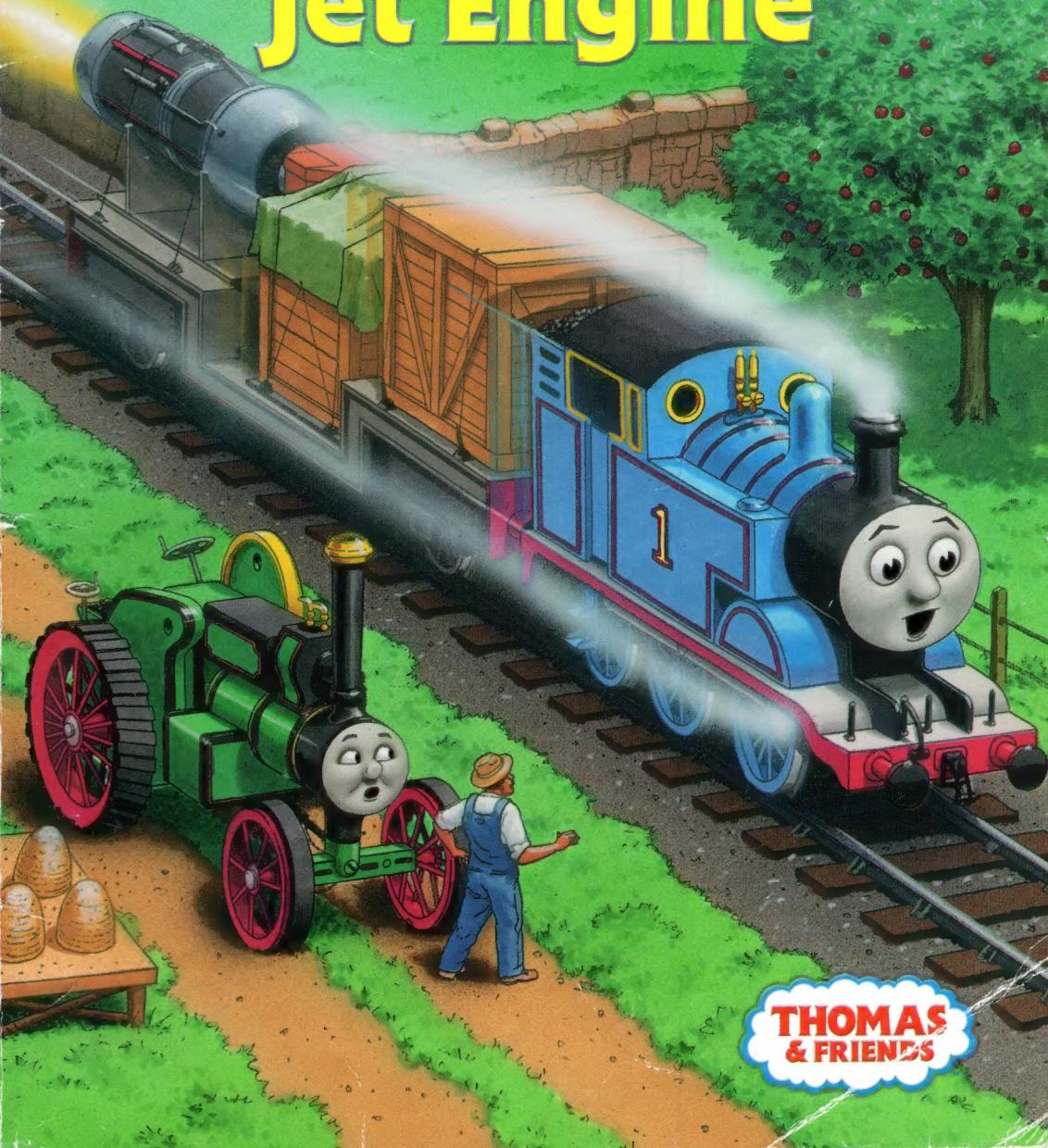
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# Thomas and the Jet Engine



THOMAS  
& FRIENDS

THIS BOOK BELONGS TO



*your name here!*

3 of my favorite books

① .....

② .....

③ .....

Here is a picture of me  
after I finish a great book!

# Dear Parent:

Congratulations! Your child is taking the first steps on an exciting journey. The destination? Independent reading!



**STEP INTO READING®** will help your child get there. The program offers five steps to reading success. Each step includes fun stories and colorful art. There are also Step into Reading Sticker Books, Step into Reading Math Readers, Step into Reading Write-In Readers, Step into Reading Phonics Readers, and Step into Reading Phonics First Steps! Boxed Sets—a complete literacy program with something for every child.

## Learning to Read, Step by Step!



### Ready to Read Preschool-Kindergarten

- big type and easy words • rhyme and rhythm • picture clues

For children who know the alphabet and are eager to begin reading.



### Reading with Help Preschool-Grade 1

- basic vocabulary • short sentences • simple stories

For children who recognize familiar words and sound out new words with help.



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- engaging characters • easy-to-follow plots • popular topics

For children who are ready to read on their own.



### Reading Paragraphs Grades 2-3

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**STEP INTO READING®** is designed to give every child a successful reading experience. The grade levels are only guides. Children can progress through the steps at their own speed, developing confidence in their reading, no matter what their grade. Remember, a lifetime love of reading starts with a single step!

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Based on The Railway Series by The Reverend W Awdry.

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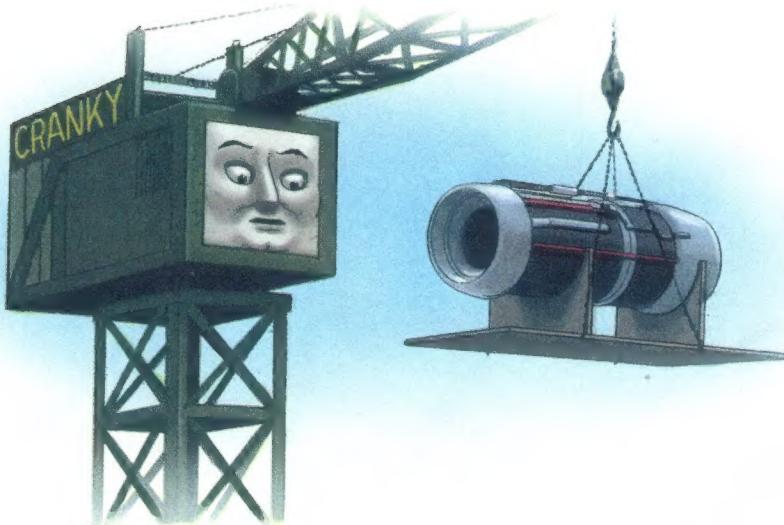
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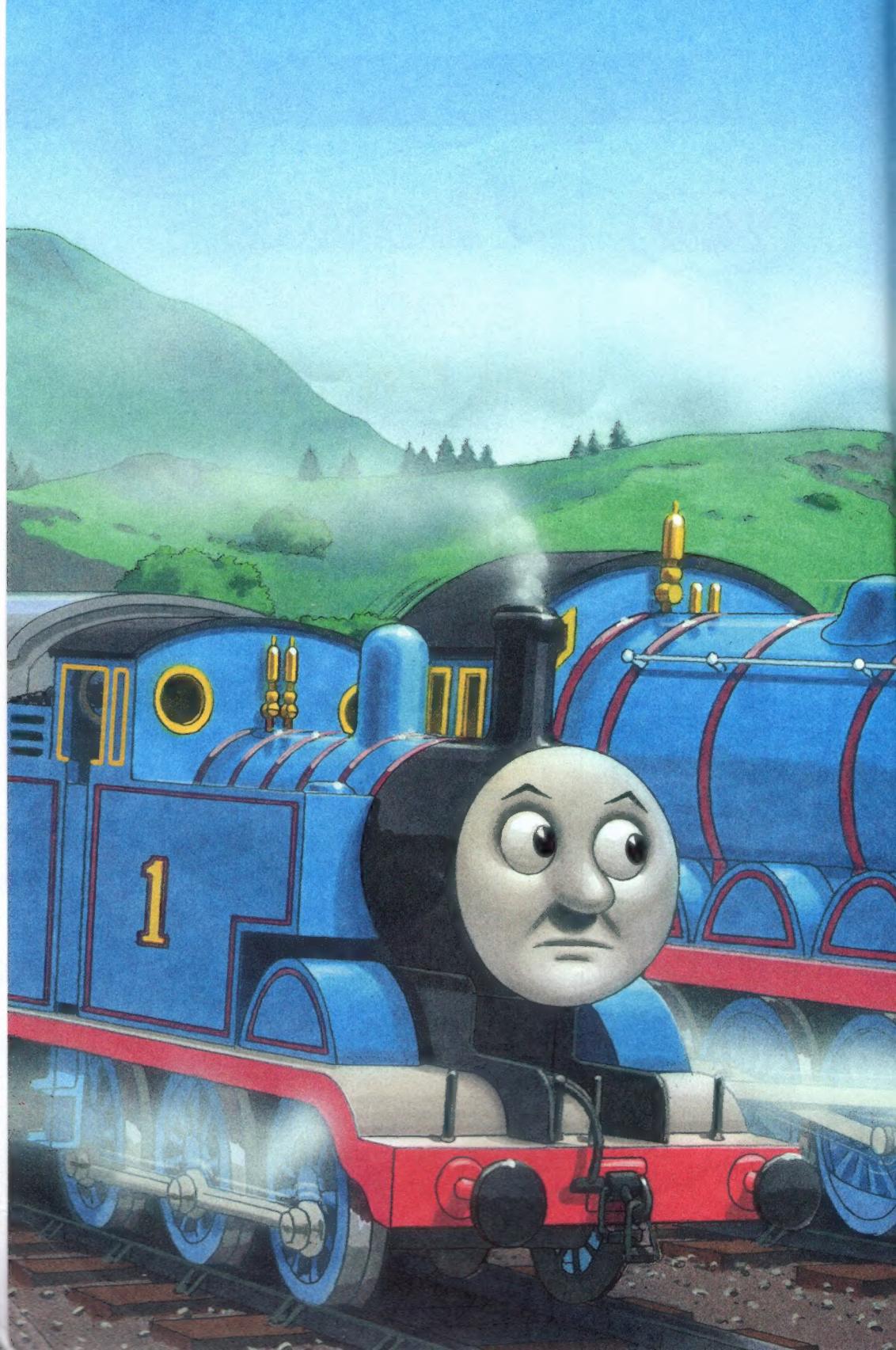
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Thomas likes

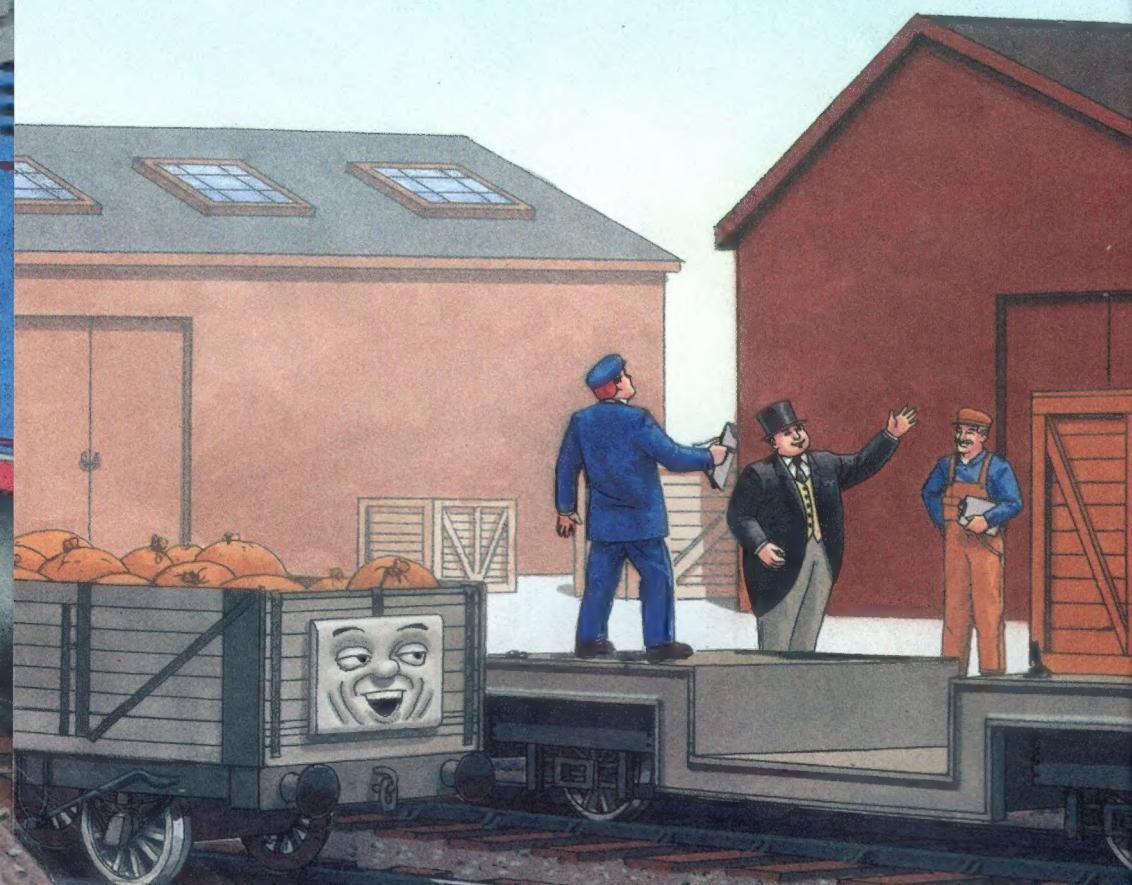
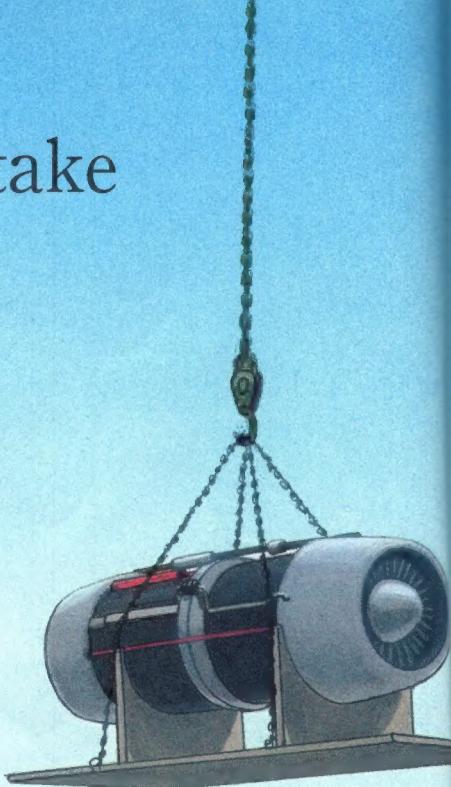
to go fast.

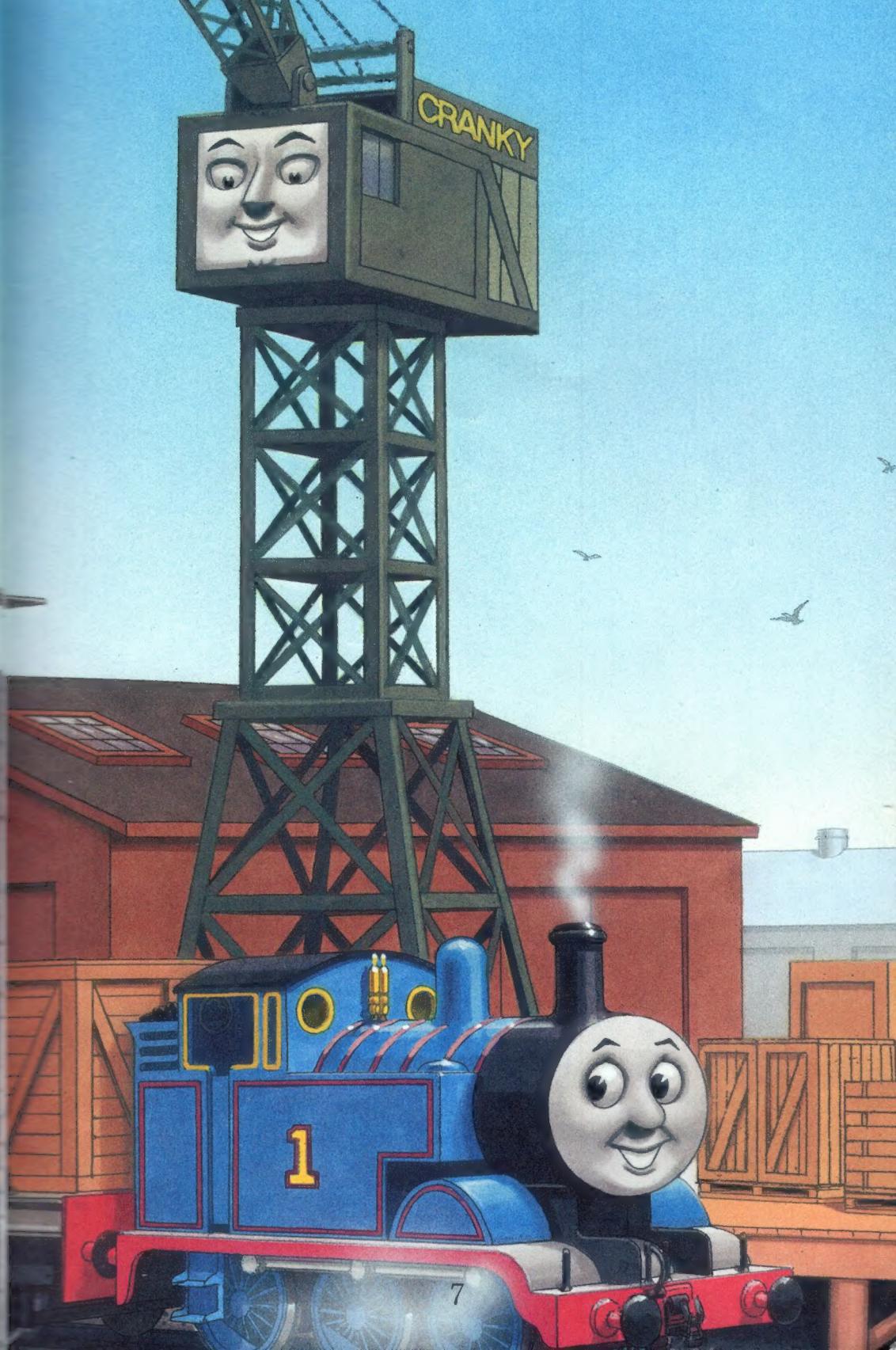
Gordon thinks

he is faster.

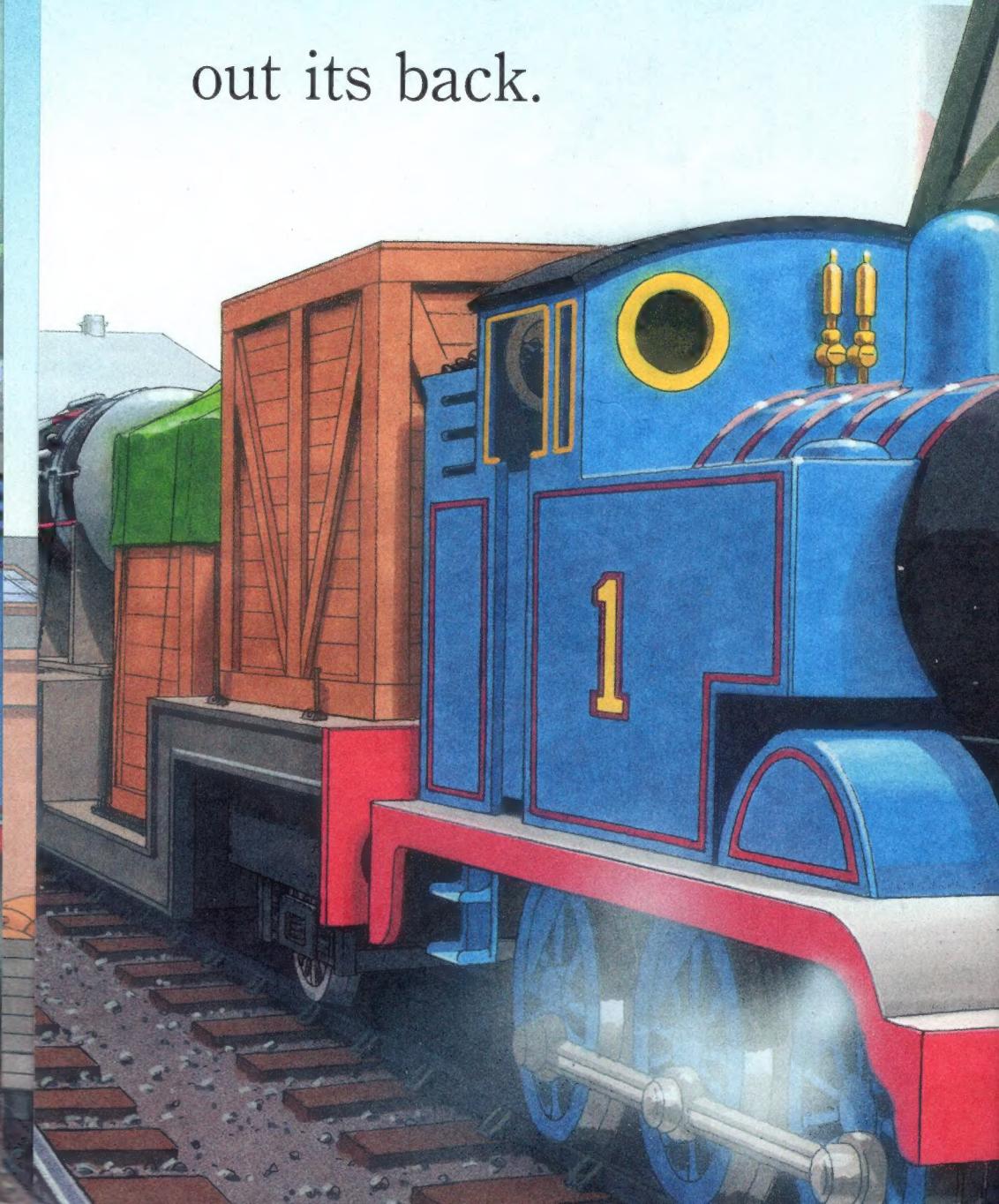


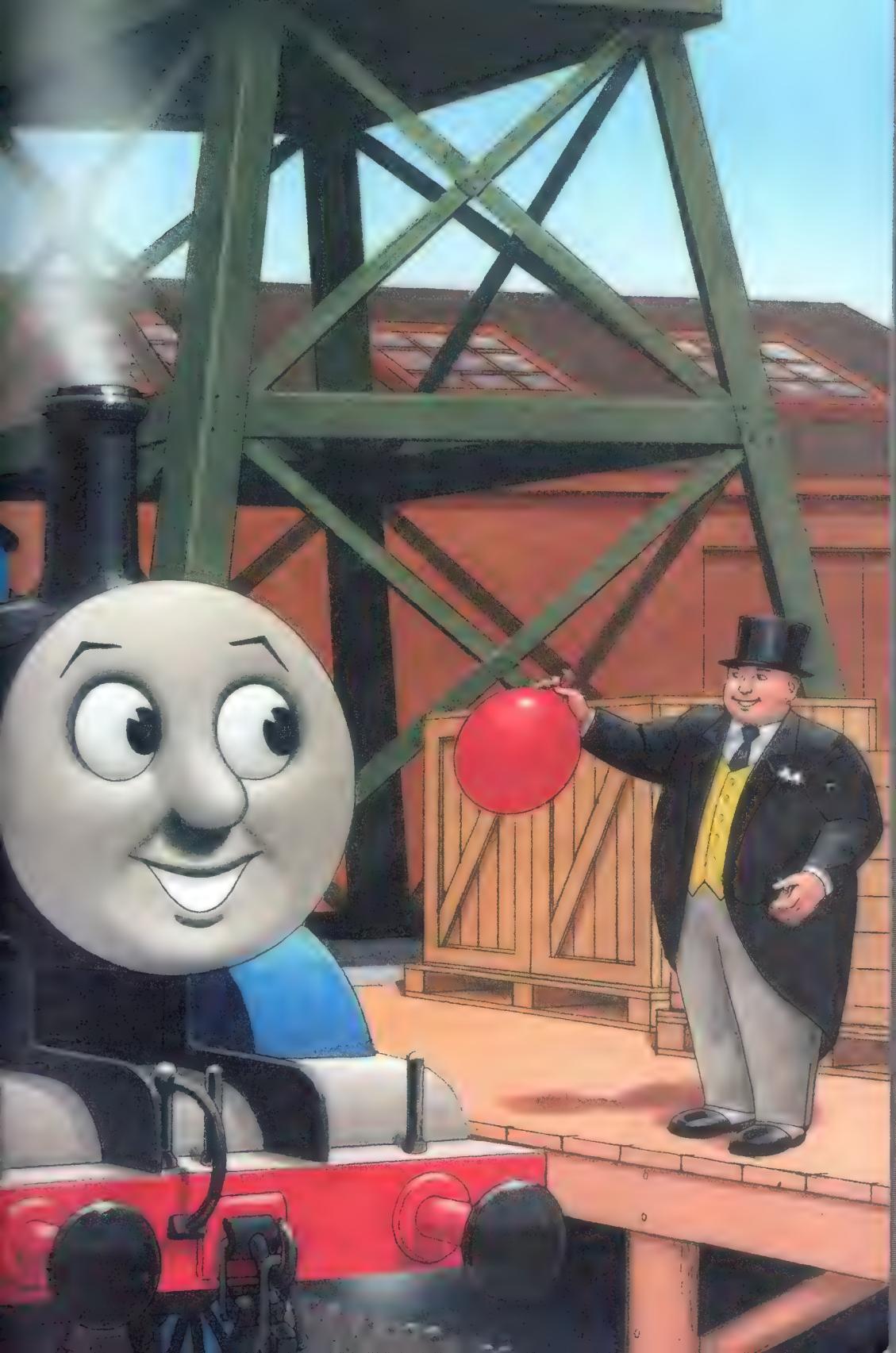
Thomas must take  
a jet engine  
to the airport.





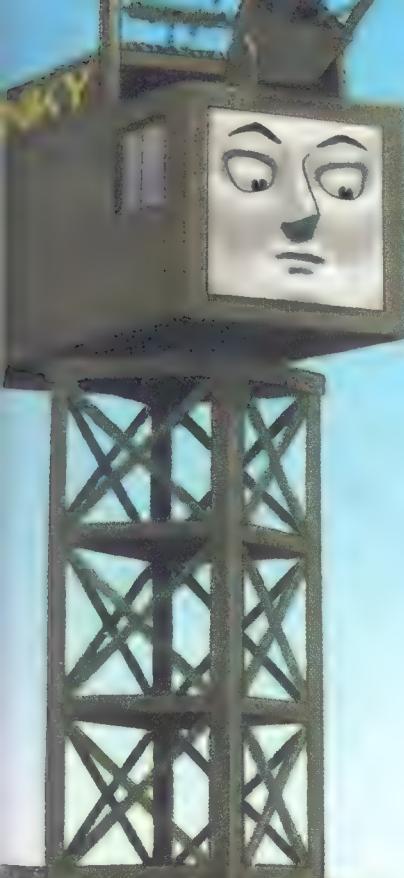
A jet engine goes  
by pushing hot air  
out its back.





It is like a balloon  
full of air.

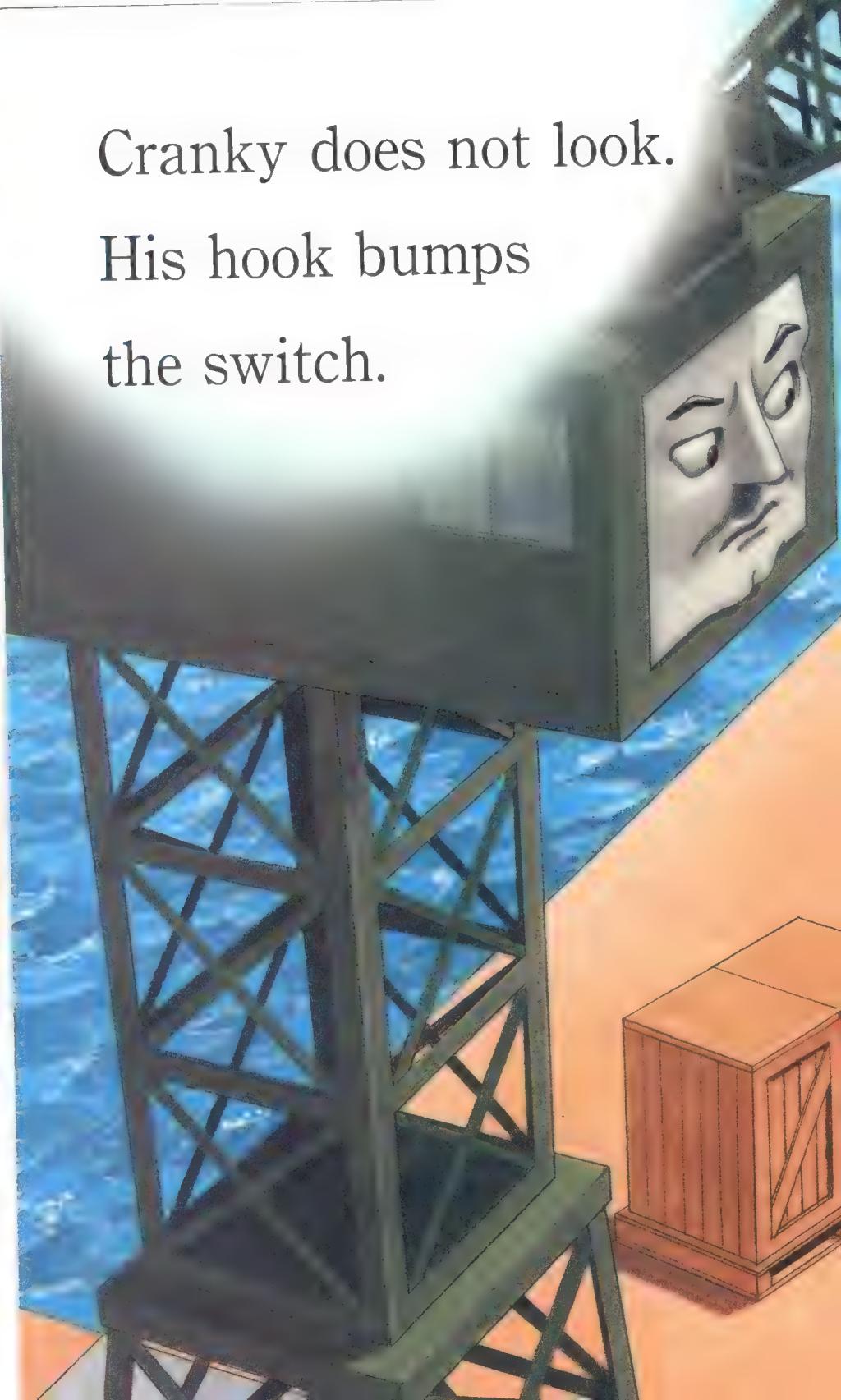




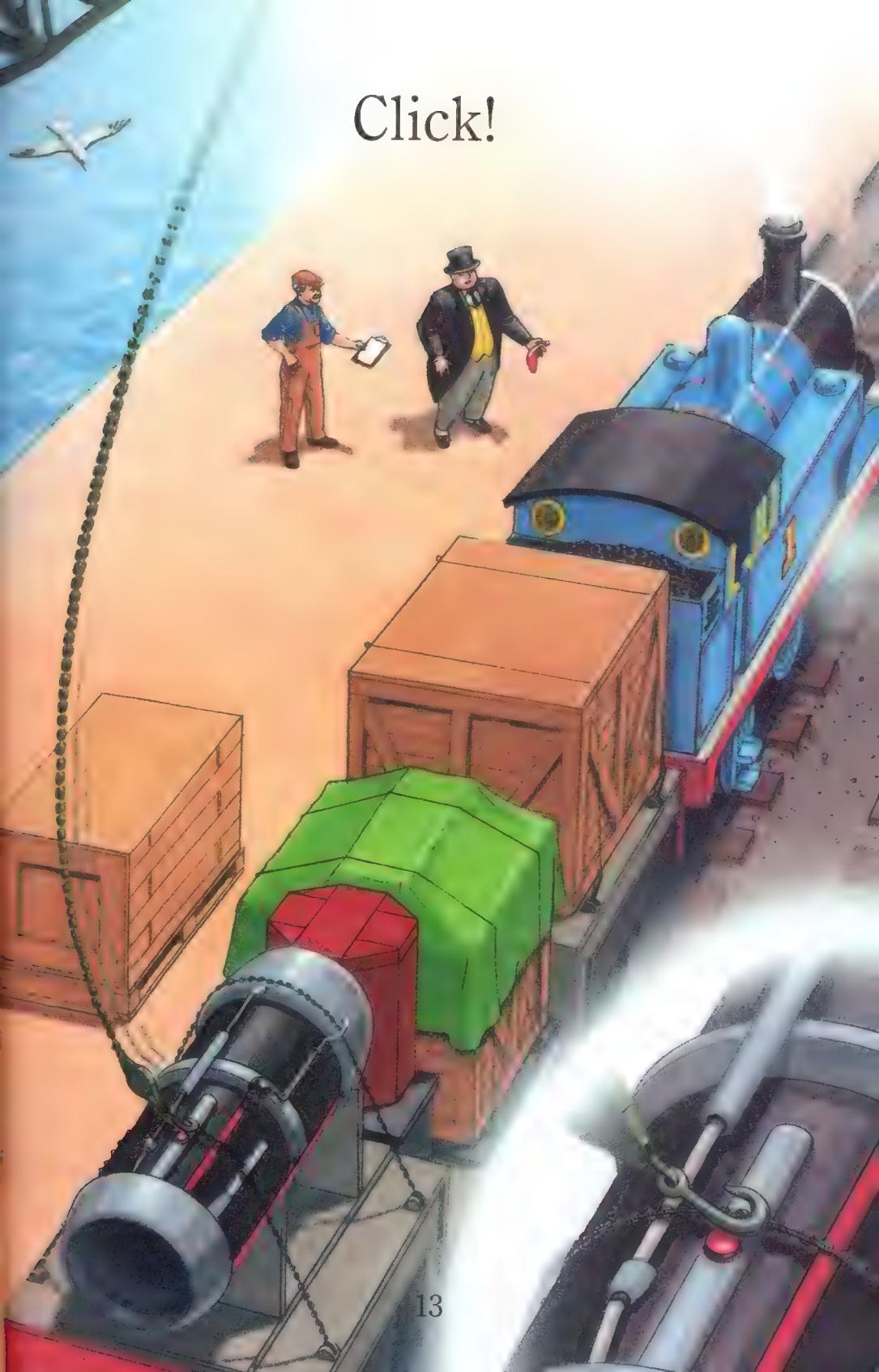
When you let it go,  
off it zooms.



Cranky does not look.  
His hook bumps  
the switch.



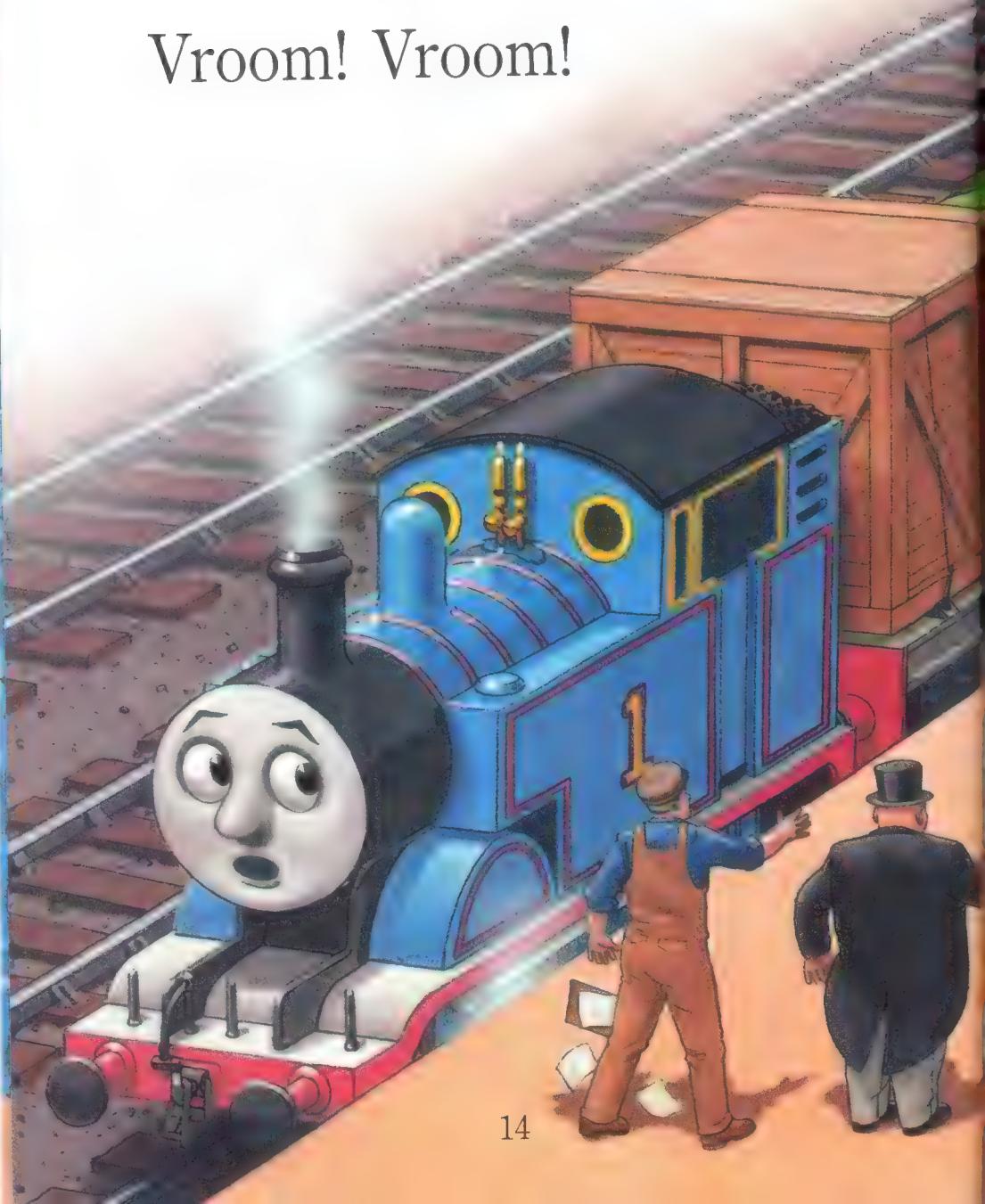
# Click!

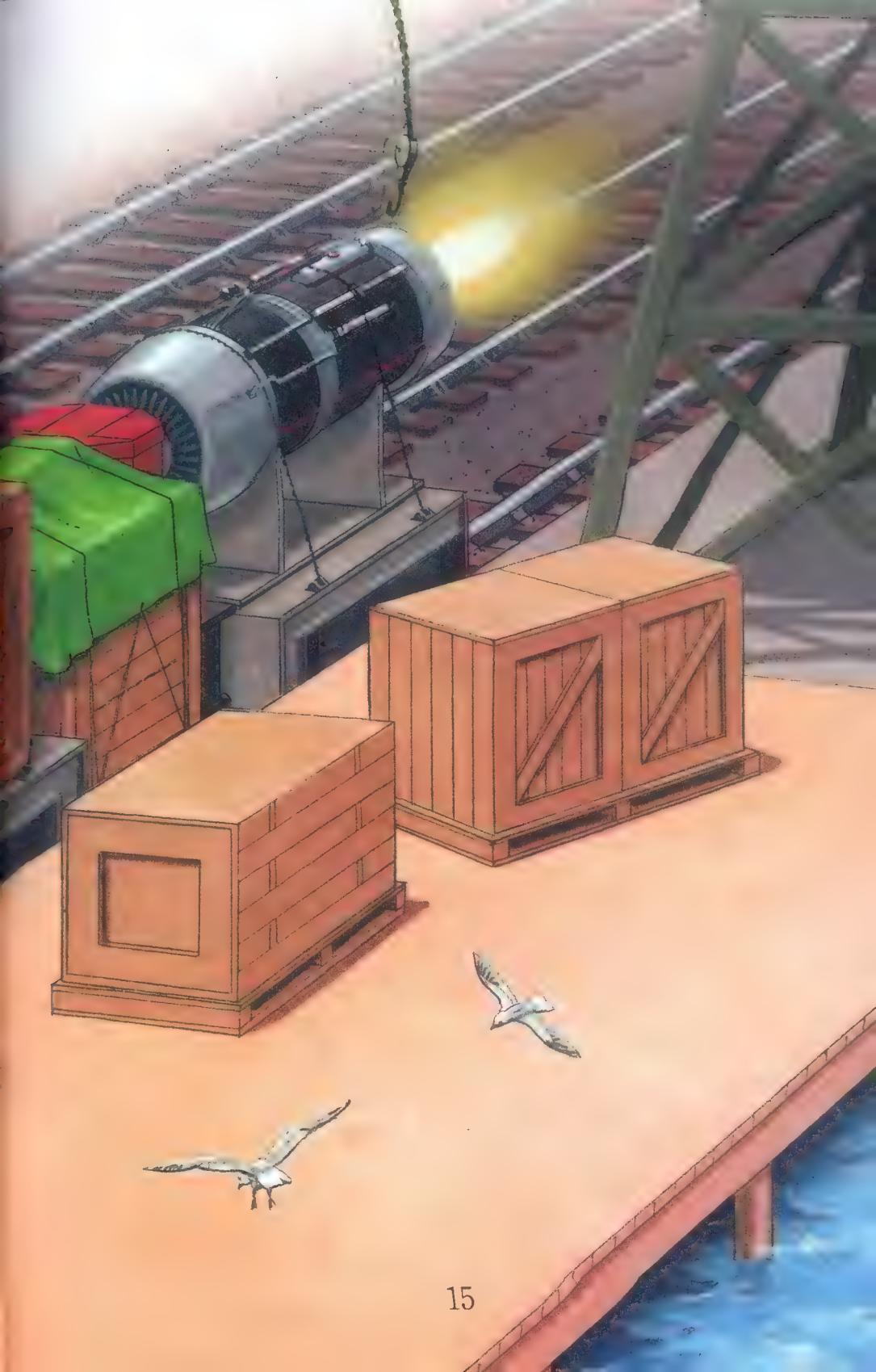


The jet engine

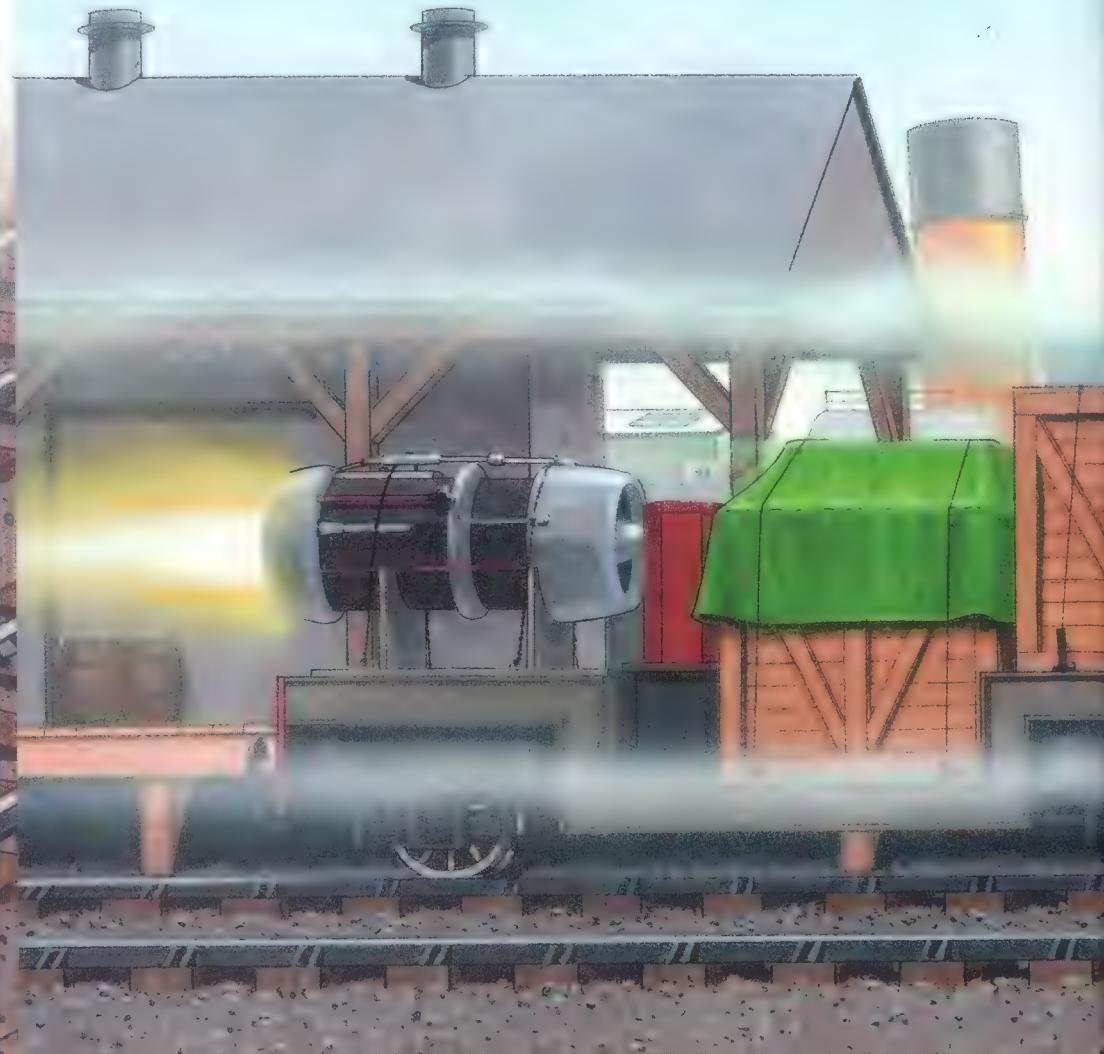
starts up!

Vroom! Vroom!

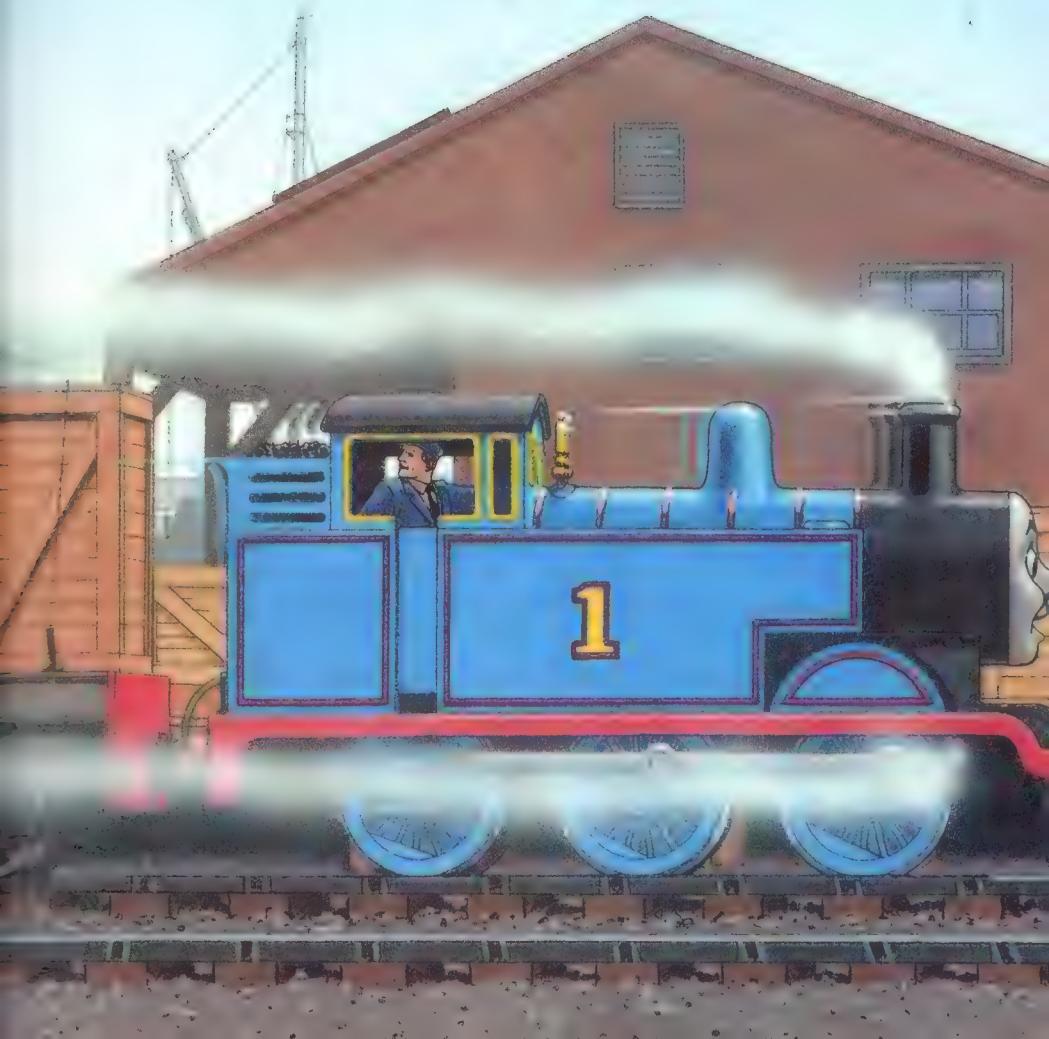




The jet engine rockets  
Thomas up the track.



# Zoom! Zoom!



# Clear the lines!



# Runaway train!



# Thomas passes Percy.

## Whoosh!



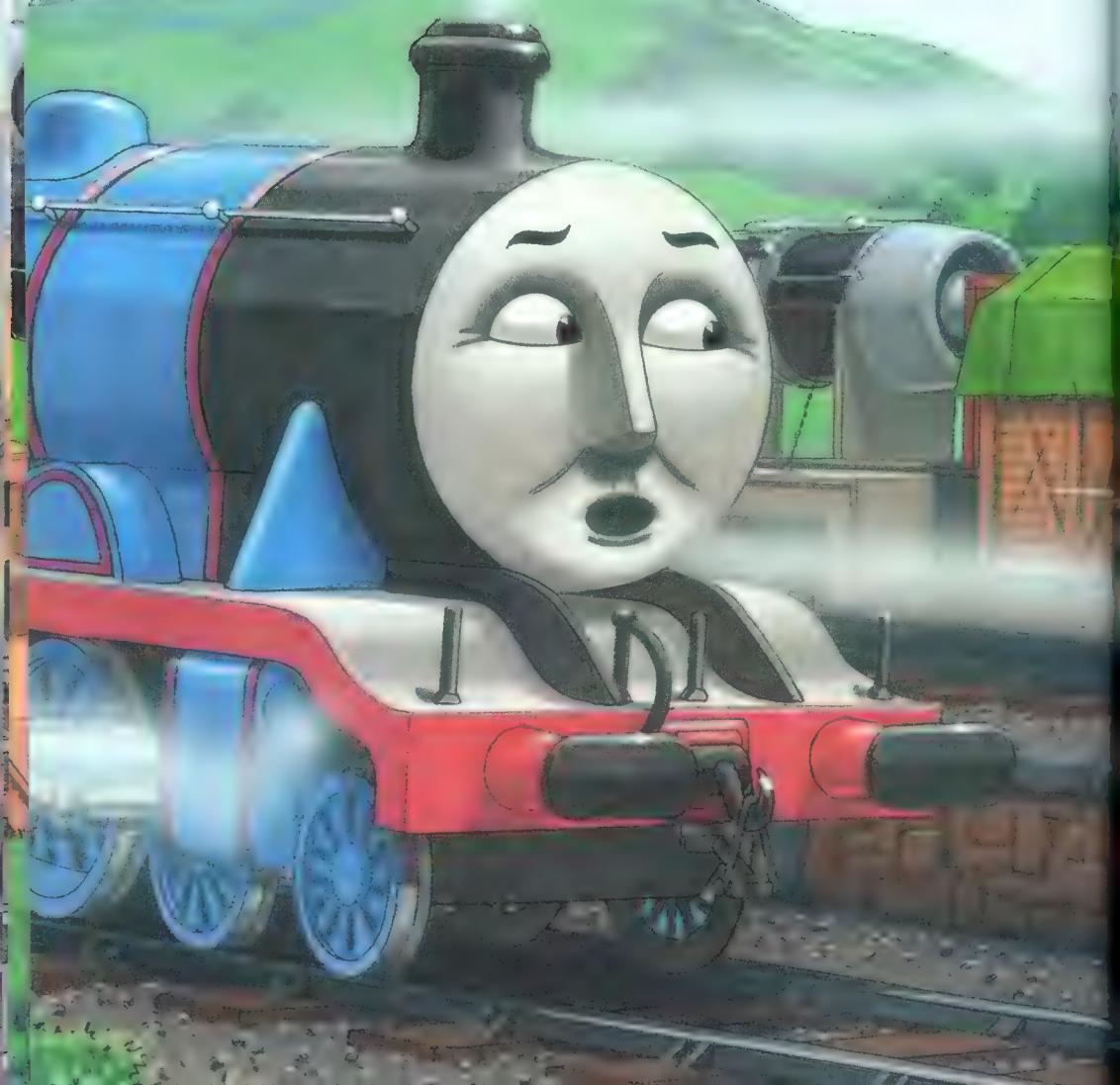
Thomas passes Henry.

Whoosh!



Hi, Gordon!

Vroom!



# Bye, Gordon!

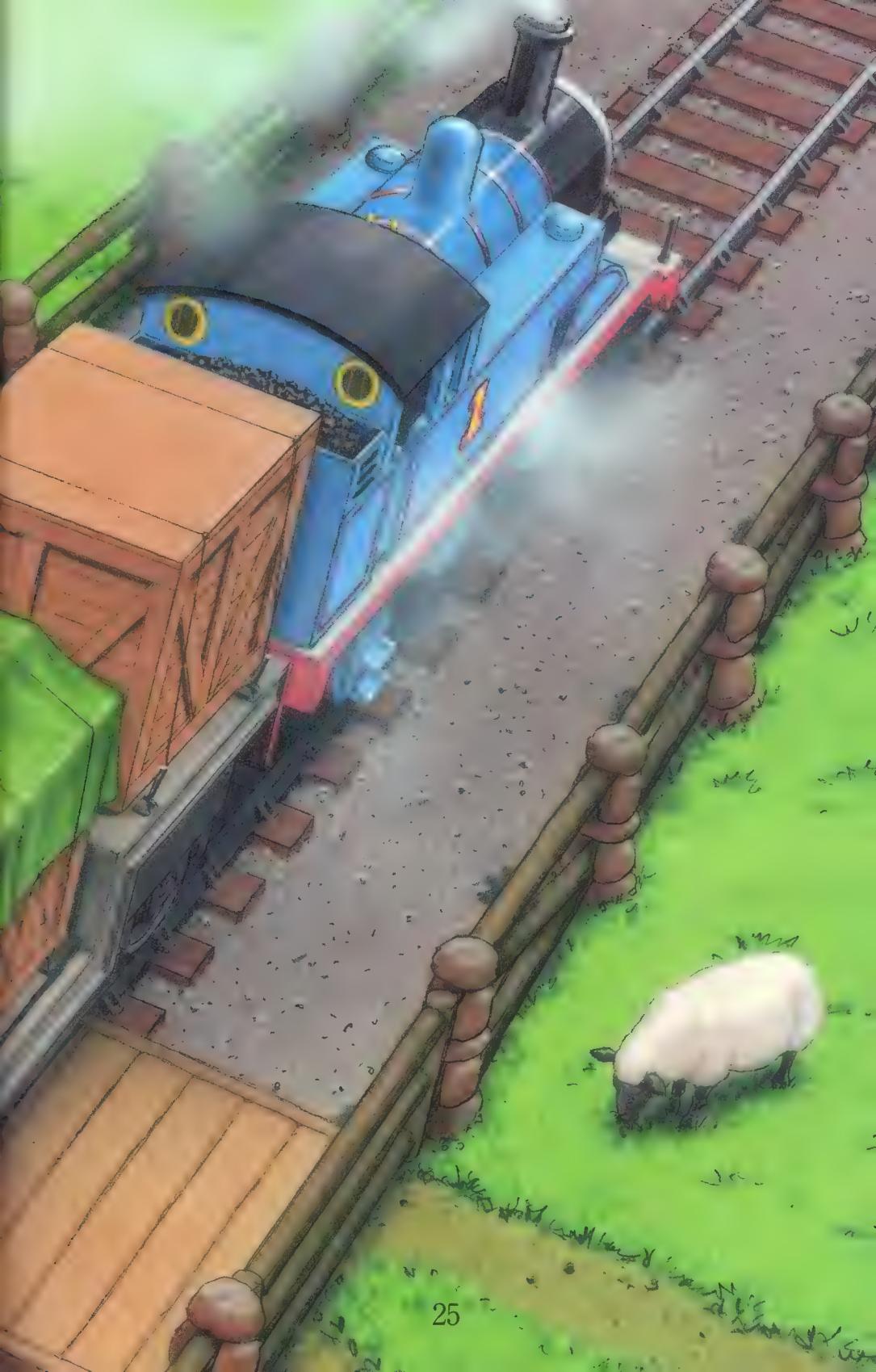
## Zoom!



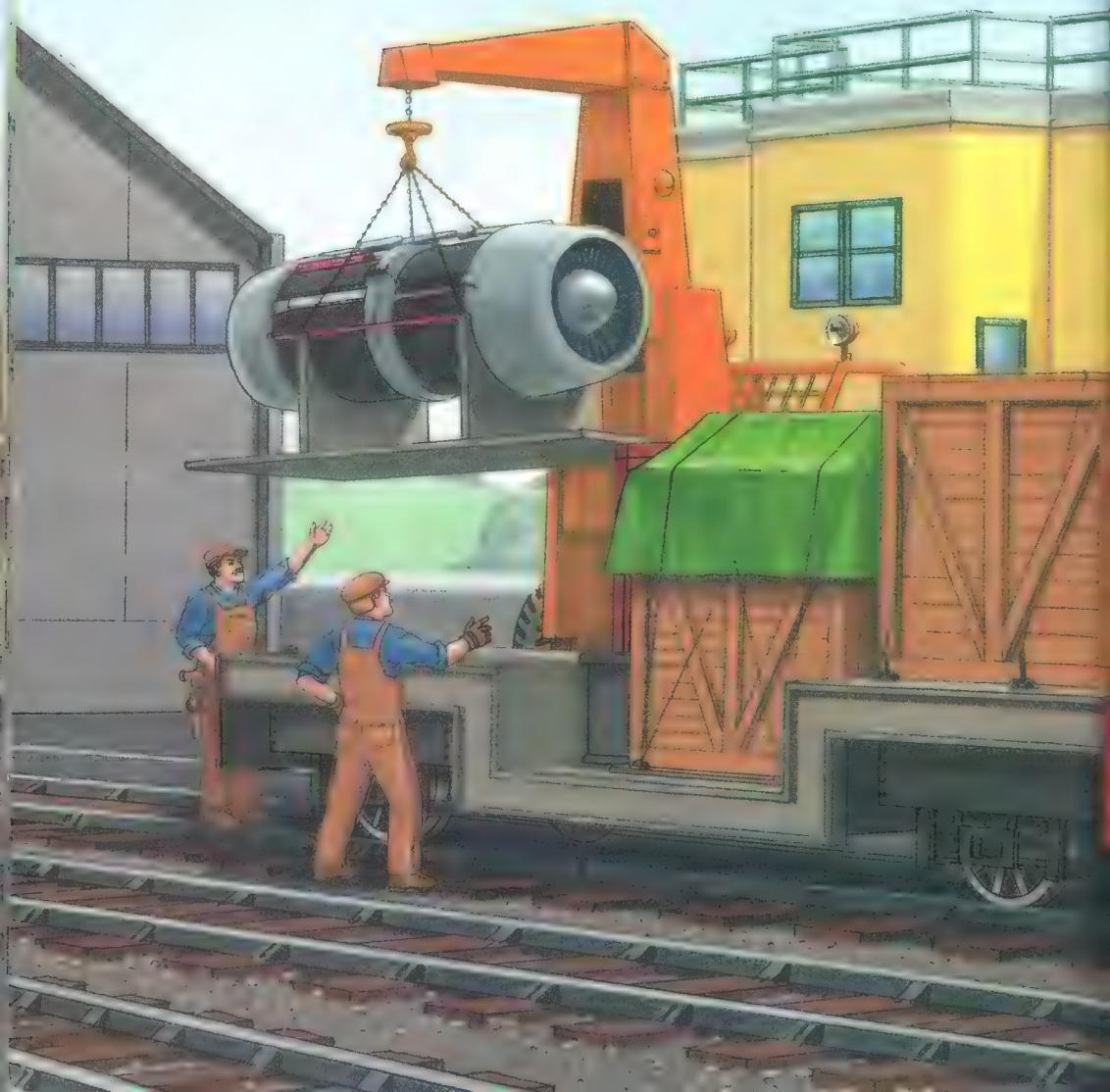
At last,  
the jet engine runs  
out of fuel.

Phew!





Thomas chuffs  
to the airport  
on his own steam!



# Peep! Peep!



Back at the Shed,

Gordon ignores Thomas.

Humph!



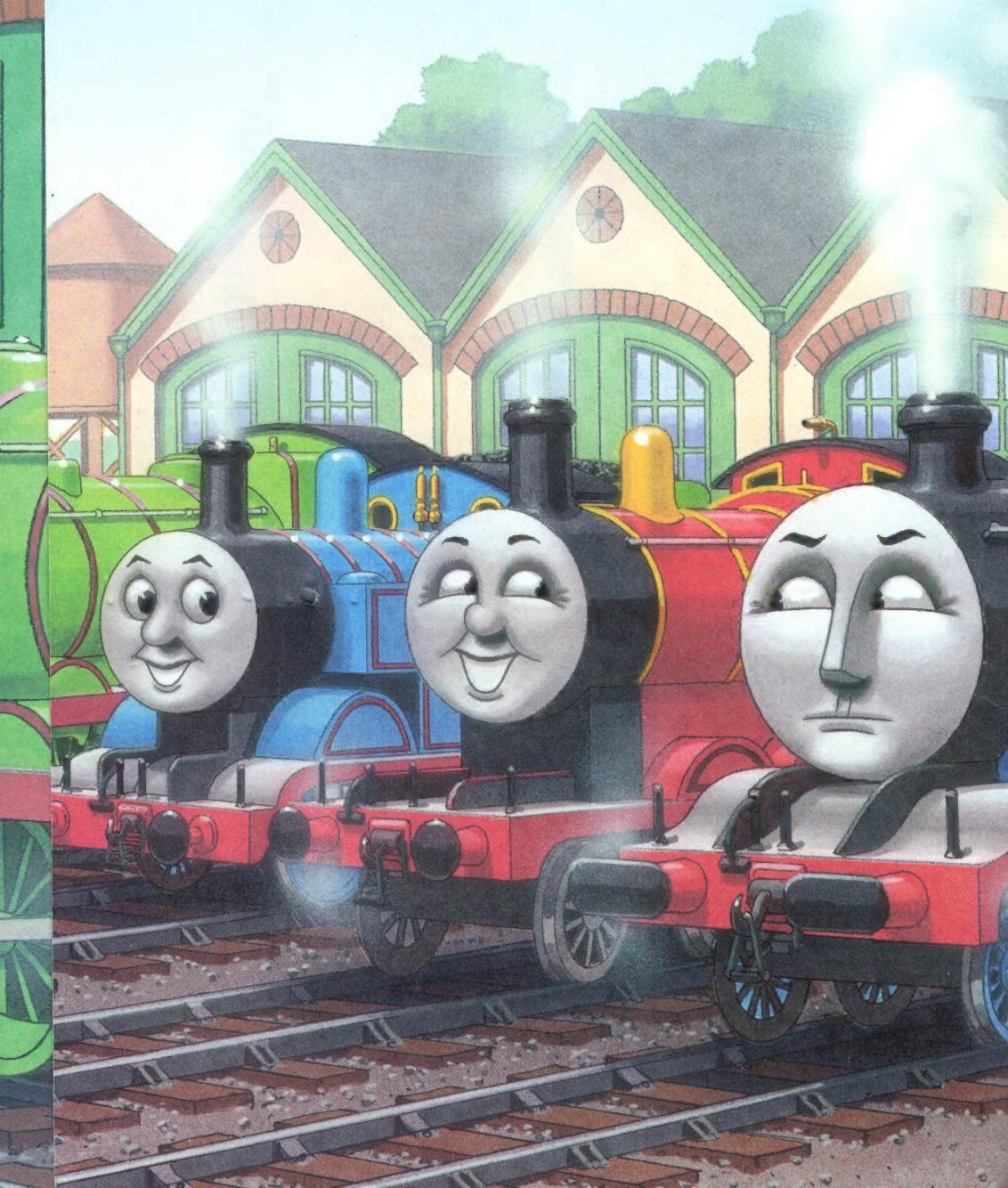




Gordon may not be  
a jet engine . . .



... but he *is*  
full of hot air!



# If you know the alphabet and are ready to read, look for these Step into Reading books:

B IS FOR BOOKS!

BARBIE: A DRESS-UP DAY ♡

BARBIE: LOVE IS IN THE AIR ♡

BARBIE: ONE PINK SHOE ♡

BARBIE: ON YOUR TOES ♡

BARBIE: SCHOOL DAYS ♡

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THE BERENSTAIN BEARS:

    BIG BEAR, SMALL BEAR

THE BERENSTAIN BEARS

    RIDE THE THUNDERBOLT

THE BERENSTAIN BEARS:

    WE LIKE KITES

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BIG EGG

BOATS!

CAT TRAPS

CINDERELLA'S COUNTDOWN

    TO THE BALL ♠

THE CLOSE SHAVE ➤

COOKING WITH THE CAT

DANCING DINOS

DANCING DINOS GO TO SCHOOL

DON'T BE A CHICKEN! ♠

DRAGON EGG

ELMO SAYS ACHOO!

FRIENDS FOR A PRINCESS ♠

GORDON'S NEW VIEW ➤

THE GREAT RACE ➤

HAPPY ALPHABET ♦

HARRY AND HIS BUCKET FULL

    OF DINOSAURS: UH-OH!

HOG AND DOG

HOP, HOP, HOP!

HOT DOG

I LIKE BUGS

I LIKE STARS

JACK AND JILL AND BIG DOG BILL ♦

JUST KEEP SWIMMING ♡

JUST LIKE ME ♠

THE LION AND THE MOUSE

ME TOO, WOODY! ♠

MOUSE MAKES WORDS ♦

MOUSE'S HIDE-AND-SEEK WORDS ♦

PANDA KISSES

PIGLET FEELS SMALL ♠

POOH'S CHRISTMAS SLED RIDE ♠

THE PUP SPEAKS UP ♦

RACE TEAM ♠

RUN, REMY, RUN! ♠

SLEEPY DOG

SMASH TRASH! ♠

THE SNOWBALL

THE SNOWMAN

SUNSHINE, MOONSHINE

SUPER FRIENDS: FLYING HIGH

TAE KWON DO!

THOMAS AND PERCY AND

    THE DRAGON ➤

THOMAS AND THE JET ENGINE ➤

THOMAS COMES

    TO BREAKFAST ➤

THOMAS GOES FISHING ➤ ➡

TOO MANY CATS

TOO MANY DOGS

WATCH YOUR STEP, MR. RABBIT!

WHAT IS A PRINCESS? ♠

WHEELS!

✿ A Barbie Reader

✿ A Disney Reader

✿ A Phonics Reader

➤ A Thomas the Tank Engine Reader

➡ A Write-In Reader



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ready to read

It's time for YOU!  
Pick your favorite  
spot to read.  
This is going to be  
a great book!

What this book is about . . .

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Thomas is taking a jet engine to the  
harbor. What happens if the jet engine is  
turned on? Whoosh!



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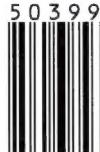


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